

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 7018 – SB 7020
FIRST EXTRAORDINARY SESSION
January 19, 2010

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Tennessee Higher Education Commission (THEC) to develop and administer a cooperative education program that allows students to be enrolled in classes and also work in fields that are degree related. This program shall be offered at all Tennessee Board of Regents and University of Tennessee system schools. Businesses participating in the program shall evaluate student job performance. THEC will work with private, government, and non-profit entities to find suitable co-op jobs for students and encourage students to participate in the program.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- According to THEC, any increase in state expenditures to develop and implement this program will be not significant and will be handled within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.
- Currently, some schools and fields offer a cooperative job program as part of the undergraduate or graduate experience.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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